

AMENDED IN ASSEMBLY APRIL 13, 2009

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009—10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1199

Introduced by Assembly Member Ammiano

February 27, 2009

~~An act relating to homelessness. An act to add Division 115 (commencing with Section 140500) to the Health and Safety Code, relating to health care.~~

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1199, as amended, Ammiano. ~~Homeless persons. Local health care master plans.~~

Existing law creates various public programs to provide health care services.

This bill would require each county in the state to establish a working group for the purpose of creating a local health care master plan for the county that considers various issues, including equitable distribution of health care services. The bill would require the State Department of Health Care Services to provide oversight and review of the development of each local health care master plan. By requiring counties to establish work groups for the purpose of creating local health care master plans, this bill would create a state-mandated local program.

The California Constitution requires the state to reimburse local agencies and school districts for certain costs mandated by the state. Statutory provisions establish procedures for making that reimbursement.

This bill would provide that, if the Commission on State Mandates determines that the bill contains costs mandated by the state,

reimbursement for those costs shall be made pursuant to these statutory provisions.

~~Existing law establishes programs and services for homeless persons.~~

~~This bill would declare the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would substantially improve the quality of life for homeless residents in this state.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: ~~no~~-yes.
State-mandated local program: ~~no~~-yes.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 *SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares all of the*
2 *following:*

3 *(a) California communities have a fragmented patchwork of*
4 *health care services that provided through both private and public*
5 *resources.*

6 *(b) The current lack of a system of health care for everyone has*
7 *led to extraordinary pressure being put upon public health care*
8 *services to provide services to persons with lesser economic means.*

9 *(c) Health care providers currently lack accountability for*
10 *systemic planning for delivery of health care services, large scale*
11 *institutionalized care, and community clinics.*

12 *(d) Market-oriented policies for the provision of health care*
13 *have relegated planning to the domain of individual private*
14 *business plans that have no ability to coordinate the multiple*
15 *providers into a coherent system that provides health care for*
16 *everyone regardless of their ability to pay.*

17 *(e) It is the intent of the Legislature that each local jurisdiction*
18 *ensures equitable distribution of services from both private and*
19 *public health care providers.*

20 *SEC. 2. Division 115 (commencing with Section 140500) is*
21 *added to the Health and Safety Code, to read:*

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23 *DIVISION 115. LOCAL HEALTH CARE MASTER PLANS*

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25 *140500. (a) Each county in the state shall establish a working*
26 *group for the purpose of creating a local health care master plan*
27 *for the county that considers all of the following:*

1 (1) *Equitable distribution of health care services, including*
2 *services provided by hospitals, clinics, and other providers within*
3 *the county.*

4 (2) *Equitable access to health care in the county regardless of*
5 *how services are paid for or where the revenue sources originate.*

6 (3) *Utilization of both public and private institutions for the*
7 *prevention and treatment of disease and injury within the county.*

8 (4) *Hospital planning that prioritizes health care services that*
9 *meet identifiable community health needs to support the health of*
10 *all segments of the population of the county.*

11 (b) *Participants in each county's working group shall include,*
12 *but need not be limited to, cities within the jurisdiction of the*
13 *county.*

14 (c) *The State Department of Health Care Services shall provide*
15 *oversight and review of the development of each local health care*
16 *master plan.*

17 SEC. 3. *If the Commission on State Mandates determines that*
18 *this act contains costs mandated by the state, reimbursement to*
19 *local agencies and school districts for those costs shall be made*
20 *pursuant to Part 7 (commencing with Section 17500) of Division*
21 *4 of Title 2 of the Government Code.*

22 ~~SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact~~
23 ~~legislation that would substantially improve the quality of life for~~
24 ~~homeless residents in this state.~~